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Subject: FW: Recent Post Dispatch Article

Fyi – via Don Hood/Mayor of Bridgeton

Mr. McFarland,

Thank you for the inquiry. The article in question surrounds an allegation of contaminated soil in a 'drainage ditch' on, or adjacent to, BMAC property. A few things must be kept in mind. First of all, the alleged test was conducted by a local resident(s), not by professionals who are trained to conduct such studies and accurately interpret the findings. That being the case, the purported results of that test should be considered suspect, to say the least, unless and until they can be corroborated by professionals who are trained in that field.

Secondly, and perhaps more importantly, you should know that there are several state and federal agencies closely supervising the work and official testing taking place in and around both the Bridgeton Landfill and the West Lake site. Among these are the Environmental Protection Agency, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the United States Geological Survey. If you visit the City of Bridgeton's website - www.bridgetonmo.com - you will find the links to the

websites of these organizations so you can see firsthand what has been established as fact and what hasn't. The past few months, the EPA has been publishing what amounts to a weekly update, which you will find very informative.

These organizations, in particular the EPA, have been very transparent and consistent in maintaining that there is no radiological threat outside the barrier at the West Lake facility. They are conducting ongoing air quality tests in the area surrounding both sites; BMAC is no doubt included within that test area. The April 21st EPA update states:

"State and EPA data both show that there is no evidence that radiological material has traveled beyond the boundary of the West Lake Landfill Superfund Site, and that the site remains protective of public health."

I hope this sets the record straight and helps to assuage the fears of your team and their families.

- Bob Totterer
President, BAA

Bob,

Parents from my team have been inquiring about the recent article in the Post regarding potential contaminated soil at BMAC. The majority of the concerns are the location of the soil and whether their sons are playing on that suspected location. I don't wish to judge if this is an overreaction but I did state that I would forward these concerns to the league. Please let me know if there is any additional details, not mentioned in the article, that may put the parents ease.

Thank you

Sean McFarland